

The City of Pelham

MINUTES OF THE CALLED MEETING

September 24, 2020 – 6:30 p.m. – Council Chambers

PRESENT:

Mayor James Eubanks
Mayor Pro-Tem Alfred Brown
Council Member Bennett Adams
Council Member Fredrick Davis
Council Member Robert Hodges
Council Member Ansel Parrish
Council Member Bobby Robinson
Council Member Tad Williamson

City Manager, Craig Bennett
City Clerk, Lisa Austin
City Attorney, Tommy Coleman VIA Zoom
Police Chief, Nealie McCormick
DDA Director, Christian Drake

With a quorum present, Mayor Eubanks called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. followed by Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Mayor Eubanks provided the opening prayer.

REGULAR SESSION-LED BY MAYOR EUBANKS

APPROVE THE AGENDA

Council Member Hodges made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Council Member Robinson. The vote was unanimous.

2020 TAX RATE

The 2019 millage rate for Pelham was 14.902. The tax digest with 5-year history shows the following:

- Gross Digest: \$49,811,217, at 1% decrease from 2019
- Maintenance & Operation Exemptions: \$968,154, a 46% decrease from 2019
- Net M&O Digest: \$48,843,063, a 0.66% increase over 2019

The two options without technically raising the tax levy, leave the millage rate alone, or adopt the rollback. The estimates are as follows:

- 14.902 rate will raise \$4,738 addition revenue over 2019
- Rollback of 14.964 rate will raise \$4,467.47 additional revenue over 2019

Council Member Robinson made a motion to leave the millage rate the same rate as last year (14.902), seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. The vote in favor of the motion was Council

Member Robinson, Mayor Pro-Tem Brown, Council Member Davis, and Council Member Parrish. The vote opposed to the motion was Council Member Adams, Council Member Hodges, and Council Member Williamson. Mayor Eubanks stated the majority was in favor of the motion and the motion will carry.

THOMASVILLE COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER AGREEMENT

The Thomasville Community Resource Center (TCRC) is a non-profit organization, which states its purpose is to "provide afterschool programs and wellness services for families." The TCRC request to access the DCCC, and former senior center on Wednesday, from 7:30 a.m. -7:00 p.m. The children will be on site from 8:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m. The TCRC holds \$1 million in liability and \$100K in rental insurance. The request is to use the facilities will run until school resumes their regular five days/week schedule. The terms of the agreement, Lessee shall pa \$75 dollars per day for the use of the DCCC and Senior Center, said \$75 dollars may be used by Lessor to offset the cost of any utilities. The term of the agreement shall be 3 months and shall terminate absolutely and completely with no further obligation on the parties on December 31, 2020 and shall automatically renew unless affirmative action by the parties is taken.

Council Member Adams made a motion to enter into an agreement with Thomasville Community Resource Center to lease both facilities for \$75 per day and provide a copy of their liability insurance as well as the rental insurance before the agreement is executed, **seconded by Council Member Parrish. The vote was unanimous.**

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Pelham City Council, **Council Member Robinson** made a motion to adjourn the meeting, **seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 6:46 p.m.**


Mayor, James Eubanks

AUTHENTICATED:

This 15th Day of October 2020.


City Clerk, Lisa Austin